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March 11, 2008

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS: REJECT BIDS PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014095 LA MIRADA BOULEVARD AND MULBERRY DRIVE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF SOUTH WHITTIER (SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 4) (3 VOTES)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Reject all bids received on October 16, 2007, for Project ID No. RDC0014095, La Mirada Boulevard and Mulberry Drive, landscaping of roadway medians, construction of concrete and pavements and an automatic irrigation system, in the unincorporated community of South Whittier (4).

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to reject the bids received due to significant design changes recommended since this project was advertised. Community input received after advertising the project for construction identified a need to incorporate better access to several properties. The Department of Public Works plans to readvertise the project at a later date once the project plans and specifications have been modified to accommodate up-to-date design considerations and meet the community's needs.

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Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs that we provide Service Excellence (Goal 1), Fiscal Responsibility (Goal 4), and Community Services (Goal 6). The recommended action will allow the Department of Public Works to landscape the existing roadway medians at the lowest cost possible while meeting the community's needs.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The cost to readvertise the project will be minimal.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The Department of Public Works believes that rejecting bids, revising the design, and readvertising the project for construction at a later date will be the most cost effective way to deliver a project that will have a positive impact on the community. A recommendation will be made to your Board to readvertise the project at a later date.

A certified record of receipt of the bids and the original bid proposal as submitted by the lowest bidder are included to be filed at the Executive Office.

The Instruction to Bidders included in the bid documents provides for the rejection of all bids by your Board if such action is in the best interest of the County.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

On September 18, 2007, Agenda Item 38, your Board found this project categorically exempt.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The project, when readvertised, will allow the Department of Public Works to provide a beneficial landscaping project to the community at the lowest cost possible.

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CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

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c: County Counsel
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance